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## UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

Attorney Docket Number: **64118.000046**

First Named Inventor: **Richard ASSAKER**

Title: **BONE PLATE ASSEMBLY**

Customer No. **21967**

TO: **MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Attached are the following for filing with the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (original and duplicate)
2. ☐ Small Entity Status Claimed:  

☐ Independent Inventor  
☐ Small Business Concern  
☐ Non-Profit Organization

  
☐ Statement Enclosed  
☐ Statement Filed in Prior Application; Status Still Proper and Desired
3. ☒ Specification - Total Pages: 45 (Including Claims and Abstract)

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CLAIMS AS FILED						
	Claims Filed	Basic Fee Claims	Extra	Rate		Amount
				Large Entity	Small Entity	
Total Claims	44	20	24	\$ 18.00	\$ 9.00	\$ 432.00
Independent Claims	4	3	1	\$ 86.00	\$ 43.00	\$ 86.00
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claims				\$ 290.00	\$ 145.00	\$ 0.00
<b>BASIC FEE</b>				\$ 770.00	\$ 385.00	\$ 770.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>						1,288.00
Assignment Recordation Fee						\$ 0.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT</b>						<b>\$1,288.00</b>

4. ☒ Drawings - Total Sheets: 26 (Fig(s). 1-29b)

5. Oath or Declaration - Total Pages: \_\_\_\_\_

a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)

☐ New (unexecuted)

b. ☐ Copy from a prior application  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)

i. ☐ DELETION OF INVENTOR(s):  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in prior application.

6. ☐ Application Data Sheet

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)

a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)

b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:

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- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (two copies); or
- ii. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies
9. ☐ Assignee/Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Form Submitted Herewith
- ☐ Assignee of Record in Prior Application No. : \_\_\_\_\_  
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- recorded on at Reel , Frame .
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with PTO-1449 and References
- ☐ Copies of Information Disclosure Statement Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
15. ☒ Priority is Claimed as Follows:  
**This application is a continuation-in-part of US Application No. 10/693,604 filed October 27, 2003, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/692,894 filed October 20, 2000 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,652,525) which is a continuation of International Application No. PCT/1B99/00794, filed April 30, 1999. This application is also a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application No. 10/134,463, filed April 30, 2002, which is a continuation of U.S. Application No. 09/417,402 filed October 13, 1999 (now U.S. Patent No. 6,533,786)**
- ☐ Claim Benefit of the Following U.S. Provisional Application No(s).: \_\_\_\_\_  
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- ☐ If Foreign Priority is Claimed, Certified Copy of the Above Priority Document(s) is Submitted Herewith
16. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach Form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
18. ☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☒ Continuation-in-Part of  
Prior Application No.: 10/693,604 filed October 27, 2003  
and Application No.: 10/134,463 filed April 30, 2002
- Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Group Art Unit \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 5b is marked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application papers.
- ☐ Complete Application Based on Provisional Application No.: \_\_\_\_\_  
filed \_\_\_\_\_
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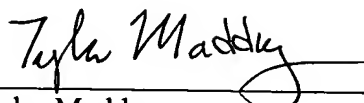
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## FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Complete If Known

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## 2. EXTRA CLAIMS FEES

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

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